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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Takaharu YAMAMOTO, et al

Application No.: 10/774,538

Filed: February 10, 2004



: Customer Number: 20277

: Confirmation Number: 9799

: Group Art Unit: 2853

: Examiner: Stephen D. Meier

For: INK FEEDING RATE CONTROL METHOD AND DATA CORRECTING METHOD FOR A PRINTING MACHINE

STATUS INQUIRY

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Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The above-identified application was filed on February 10, 2004. Since more than one and one-half year have elapsed since that date, and no action has been received by attorney for applicant, Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned attorney be informed of the status of the referenced application. It is noted that the Official Gazette indicates applications filed on or before March 26, 2004 in the above-assigned Group Art Unit should have received an action on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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